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The VIRGINIA-CENTINEL. N°. X.

Quis metus, ô nunquam doliturі, ô ſemper inertes
Tyrrheni, quæ tanta animis ignavia venit?—
Quò ferrum? quidve hæc gerimus tela irrita dextris?
At non in Venerem ſegnes, nocturnaque bella;
Aut, ubi curva choros indixit tibia Bacchi,
Expectare dapes, et plenæ pocula menſæ:
Hic amor, hoc ſtudium ——— VIRG.

THE Profeſſion of Soldiers, eſpecially at ſuch a Time as this, is not only noble, but benevolent; and worthy at once of univerſal Honor and Gratitude. They are the Guardians of their Country, and all that is included in that important Word. And therefore, their Merits ſhould not be invidiouſly depretiated; their Foibles maliciouſly exaggerated; or their Conduct cenſured by Chimney-corner Politicians, who lie ſneaking at Home, in inglorious Eaſe, and know not their Circumſtances, or the Reaſons upon which they act. While their Character is tolerable, and they in any Meaſure anſwer the End of their Profeſſion, their Names ſhould be treated with the utmoſt Tenderneſs and Reſpect.

But Soldiers differ; ſome will ſhed their *Blood*,
And ſome drink *Bumbo*—for their Country's Good.
Some in the Field will nobly riſque their *Lives*;
Some Hero-like, will *ſwear*, or play at *Fives*.
Some ſhew themſelves the genuine Sons of *Mars*;
Some, brave in *Venus'* or in *Bacchus'* Wars,
Can ſhew their *lecherous* and *drunken* Scars.

No Profeſſion in the World can ſecure from Contempt and Indignation a Character made up of Vice and Debauchery; and no Man is obliged to meet ſuch a Character as facred. When raw Novices and Rakes, Spendthrifts and Bankrupts, who have been never uſed to command, or who have been found inſufficient for the Management of their own private Affairs, are honored with Commiſſions in the Army; when Men are advanced according to Seniority, the Intereſts and Influence of Friends, &c. and not according to Merit; when the common Soldiers are abuſed, in a Fit of Humor or Paſſion, or through an Oſtentation of Authority; and in the mean Time, perhaps, tolerated or countenanced in Practices really worthy of Correction; when the Militia Men are browbeat and diſcouraged in every noble Attachment, as claiming a Share with the Soldiery in their Monopoly of Honor; when the Officers give their Men an Example of all Manner of Debauchery, Vice and Infamy, while they lie ſculking in Forts, and there diſſolving in Pleaſure, till alarmed by the Approach of the Enemy, who could expect to find them no where elſe; who inſtead of ſcouring out the Enemy, waylaying and fighting them, obſtructing their Marches, and preventing their Incurſions, they tempt them by their Security and Lazineſs, to come in Queſt of them, and attack them in their Fortifications——When this is the Caſe, how wretchedly helpleſs muſt a Nation be? What uſeleſs Lumber, what an Encumbrance, are the Soldiery;

Contrius ipſe ſibi, dum ſe putat omnia dici.

I would by no Means make the *Event* the Standard by which to judge of the Meaſures taken, though this be unqueſtionably the Standard of the Crowd. Succeſsful Raſhneſs will never fail of popular Applauſe, and unfortunate good Conduct will never eſcape Cenſure. But when nothing brave is ſo much as *attempted*, but very rarely, or by Accident, or for neceſſary Self-defence; when Men whoſe Profeſſion it is to endure Hardſhips, and encounter Dangers, cautiouſly ſhun them, and ſuffer their Country to be ravaged in their very Neighbourhood; then, certainly, Cenſure cannot be ſilent; nor can the Public receive much Advantage from a Regiment of ſuch daſtardly Debauchees.

"Shew me one Scar charakter'd on their Skin:
"Men's Flesh preſerv'd ſo whole do ſeldom win." SHAK.

Men of Virtue, and true Courage can have no Heart to enliſt, and mingle in ſuch a Crowd. And the few of that Character, that may be among them, are in Danger of catching the general Contagion; or of being damped and mortified at the Sight of ſuch Scenes of Vice, Extravagance and Oppreſſion.

Horace, who knew the Eſtate of the ill-conquering *Roman* Army, in the Period of its higheſt Glory, and moſt illuſtrious Victories, will teach us the Diſcipline proper for Soldiers.

Anxuſtam, cameræ pauperiem pati
Robuſtus acri militia puer
Condiſcat, et Parthos feroces
Vexet eques metuendus haſtâ;
Vitamque ſub dio et trepidis agat
In rebus———

Our hardy Youth ſhould learn to bear
Sharp Want, to rein the warlike Steed;
To hurl the well-directed Spear,
With pointed Force, and bid the *Parthian* bleed.*
In War's illuſtrious Dangers bold,
Inur'd to Summer's Heats, and Winters cold.

But it ſeems the Delicacy of modern Soldiers cannot bear ſuch hardy Diſcipline. Their Eaſe and Pleaſure muſt not be diſturbed by the Fatigues and Dangers of the Field or Woods.

Their Country calls; and ſee! the Heroes run
To ſave her—if the Game or Dance is done.

Luxury and Senſuality have unmanned many an Army, and enſlaved or ruined many flouriſhing Cities and Kingdoms. Let me enumerate a few Inſtances, for the Warning of ſurviving Nations —— The firſt great Empire of the World, viz. the *Aſſyrian*, owed its Deſtruction entirely to the Luxury of its Prince, *Sardanapalus*; an effeminate Creature, that never went out of his Palace; but ſpent all his Time in the Company of Women. Feaſting, Rioting, and all Manner of ſenſual Indulgencies were his daily Employ. At Length his Generals cut him off in the Midſt of his Debaucheries, and overturned the Empire —— *Babylon*, the ſtrongeſt City, perhaps, that ever was built upon Earth, was taken in the Night by Surpriſe, while the King, his Wives and Concubines, with a thouſand of his Lords, were carouſing in a Debauch, unapprehenſive of Danger‡——The Overthrow of the *Perſian* Monarchy, and the vaſt Army of *Darius*, by an Handful of hardy Veterans under *Alexander* the Great, is another ſtriking Inſtance of the fatal Effects of Luxury——But who would have thought that that *Alexander* himſelf, with ſuch an Example before his Eyes, would have ſplit upon this Rock? Yet we are told by *Juſtin*, "That he degenerated into the Luxury and Vice of the *Perſians*, whom, by Means of that very Luxury, he had overcome——that he ſuffered his Army to debauch themſelves in the ſame Manner——that afterwards he gave himſelf up to the moſt unkingly Cruelty againſt his own Friends, one of whom he murdered for expreſſing himſelf a little freely concerning his Faults." ——At Length, degenerating into immoderate Intemperance and Drunkenneſs, he died ſuddenly in the Midſt of a Debauch. A *timely* Death for the World! For had his Life been prolonged, he would ſoon have become a meer *Nero* or *Caligula*. Whether he was poiſoned by ſome of his Nobles, whom he had offended by his Cruelties, as ſome Writers affirm; or whether his Death was the Effect of Drunkenneſs, as others aſſert, comes to the ſame Purpoſe; viz. that he fell a Sacrifice to his own Luxury and Vice. ——The Ruins of *Tarentum* are alſo a Monument of the ſame melancholy Truth. Having imprudently entered into a War with the *Romans*, which ſo effeminate a People knew not how to conduct, they called King *Pyrrhus* to manage it for them; but they ſoon began to murmur and rail at him againſt him, becauſe, in Order to qualify them for War, he had eſtabliſhed an exact military Diſcipline, and driven them from their Carouſals to the Fatigues and Dangers of the Field. Some of them even quitted the City, thinking it to be an intolerable Reſtraint not to be permitted to live the ſame idle and voluptuous Life, while they were engaged in War with a powerful Enemy, as they uſed to indulge themſelves in, in Times of Peace and Proſperity. The War ended in their total Overthrow, as might be expected. The City of the *Sybarites* was ſo populous, as to be able to raiſe an Army of 300,000 Men. Their Luxury and Diſſolution of Manners arrived at an almoſt incredible Height. They employed themſelves in nothing but Banquets, Games, Parties of Pleaſure and Carouſals. Public Rewards were beſtowed on thoſe, who gave the moſt magnificent Entertainments; and even to ſuch *Cooks of Genius*, as were beſt ſkilled in the important Arts of making Improvements in the dreſſing of nice Diſhes, and inventing new Refinements to tickle the Palate. They carried their Delicacy to the monſtrous Length of ſending out of the City all Manner of noiſy Artificers, as Blackſmiths, Carpenters, &c. and deſtroying all the Cocks, that their downy Slumbers might not be diſturbed by any Noiſe. This unbounded Luxury crumbled them into Factions; and at Length made them an eaſy Prey to a ſmall Army of the *Crotonians*. ——The Application of theſe Pieces of Hiſtory is eaſy; but

Periculoſæ plenum opus aleæ
Tractо ——— L. & V.

PARIS, *May* 10.

AS the Court does not yet judge it proper to publiſh what has been done at Minorca ſince the Landing of our Troops, the Public knows nothing of what paſſes in that Iſland but from private Letters, which do not even agree in the Particulars we are moſt concerned to know. Some ſay that the Trenches were opened the 22d in the Night before Fort St. Philip; others make it two Days later; and there are ſome who affirm that our Troops had not broke Ground on the 27th, by Reaſon of the Badneſs of the Roads, which had prevented the coming up of the Artillery, and other Things neceſſary in the Operations of a Siege. All that we poſitively know, is, that our Troops were in poſſeſſion of the Town of Manon.

A Camp is to be formed immediately at Boulogne, in Order to cover the French Works for repairing the Harbour of Dunkirk.

May 14. The Report of the Trenches being opened before Fort St. Philip the 24th of laſt Month was premature, and we learn by a Courier, which the Duke de Richlieu diſpatched from thence the 29th, they had that Day only begun to make their Approaches; that the neceſſary Preparations for the Siege took up a Deal of Time, and particularly that the bringing up the Artillery was attended with extreme Difficulties, neither Horſes nor Carts being to be found in the Iſland, and being obliged, as they advanced, to repair the Roads which the Engliſh had broke up; that they were likewiſe obliged to uſe all their Art to cover the Men as they worked,

* *Francis's Tranſlation.*

‡ *Dan.* v.

In a Country where they can dig but two Feet before they come to the Rock; and, in ſhort, if Credit may be given to ſeveral Letters that have been received by different Channels, the Trenches were not opened the 30th. We learn by the Courier above mentioned, that M. de la Galliſſoniere, inſtead of going to meet Admiral Byng, had contented himſelf with lying before Port Mahon, and poſting his Ships in ſuch a Manner, as to prevent the Enemy from giving any Aſſiſtance to the Beſieged.

We learn from Rochefort, that the Hardi Man of War, which was lately ſunk there, in Order to prevent her being burnt, is weighed up again, and is fitting out, in Order to join M. de la Motthe's Squadron at Breſt. Some Ships of this Squadron have been taken to reinforce that of the Marquis de Conflans, which is actually compoſed of 22 Ships of the Line, 12 Frigates, 2 Fireſhips, and 12 Bomb Veſſels.

They write from L'Orient, that the Duke d'Aiguillon has ordered two Batteries to be erected to defend the Entrance of that Harbour, and render it inacceſſible to the Enemy. The three Eaſt India Men which ſailed from thence ſome Time ago, were obliged by contrary Winds to put back again; and it is now ſaid, that their Ourſelves have Orders to ſtop their ſailing; from whence it is inferred, that the King may poſſibly take all the Ships belonging to the India Company into his Service. In this Caſe, it is thought his Majeſty will grant the Captains Commiſſions, as Captains of Frigates in the Royal Navy, and that the other Officers will be put upon the marine Eſtabliſhment.

Paris, May 23. Since the Deſcent of the King's Troops in the Iſland of Minorca, the Marſhal Duke de Richlieu has been chiefly employed in ſurmounting the Difficulties that hindered the tranſporting of the Artillery, warlike Stores and Proviſions, to Mahon. He hath at Length raiſed on the Lighthouſe Battery of five Pieces of Cannon and as many Mortars, which began to fire the eighth Inſtant. On the ninth in the Evening a Detachment of 100 Volunteers, four Companies of Grenadiers, and ſix Piquets, under Colonel Count de Briqueville took Poſt in the Suburb la Cavale, in Order to erect Batteries there. On the 10th in the Morning Brigadier Marquis de Rouquepine, with two Colonels and 1000 Men, marched towards Fort Marlborough, behind the Tower of Benefid. This Evening the Count de Briqueville was relieved by the Brigadier de la Serre, with three Companies of Grenadiers and nine Picquets; and ſoon after the two Battalions of the Regiment Royal Comptois, marched to the right of the Suburb along a Chain of Houſes that forms its Circumference, in Order to protect the Works, which the Marſhal viſited in Perſon. M. d'Elva, Colonel of the Regiment Royal Italien, who received a Shot in his Shoulder, is the only Officer that hath hitherto been wounded.

June 5. We have received the following further Particulars in Relation to the late naval Engagement between Admiral Byng and the Marquis de la Galliſſoniere. The Ship named the Hippotoame, of 50 Guns, commanded by Monſieur Roſtemoure, engaged an Engliſh Man of War of 50 Guns, and took off their Maſts, Bowſprit, and great Part of her Rigging. This Veſſel was ſo diſabled as to be upon the Point of putting on a white Flag when one other three decked Ship appeared to her Relief. The Temeraire loſt in the Engagement only two Men, and had ten wounded; ſhe received a Shot between Wind and Water, another in her Bowſprit, and a thirty in her Main maſt, notwithſtanding which the Engliſh could not reſiſt her Fire above Half an Hour. The Lion was attacked by two Engliſh Men of War, one of 74 and another of 72 Guns: They were engaged within Piſtol Shot of each other. The firſt made ſmall Reſiſtance, but the ſecond maintained the Engagement with great Obſtinacy, till her Main maſt and Fore-top-Maſt were carried off. The Main maſt of the Lion received a Shot through it, and all her Rigging was ſo much damaged, as to be unfit for ſervice. Of all our Squadron the Lion was moſt injured.

June 6. According to Advices from the Camp before Port St. Philip, our Bomb Batteries commenced playing from the 14th to the 15th with great Succeſs. That Day the Battery of Cannon on the right began to play: The 16th the Sieur de Pinay, who commanded the Battery on the left, was killed, and the Field Marſhal Prince Levis of Wirtemberg wounded. The 17th the Engliſh Squadron appearing at Sea, Marſhal Richelieu ſent 13 Picquets to the Count de la Galliſſoniere, and made the neceſſary Diſpoſitions for cutting off all Communication between the Engliſh Admiral and the Beſieged. The 20th, a Bomb having ſet Fire to one of our Batteries about two in the Afternoon, and the Beſieged perceiving it, they redoubled their Fire, and made a Sally from the Lunette de la Reine, whither, however, they were ſoon driven back by our Grenadiers. The 21ſt and 22d, our Troops were employed in repairing the old Batteries, and erecting new Ones. The 23d our Squadron appearing before the Port, the Army made great Rejoicings in the Evening for the Advantage gained by that Squadron two Days before over that of the Engliſh. The 23d, the Count de Lannion relieved the Marquis du Muſſil at the Trenches, with the two Battalions of Royal Marine; and that Day and the 24th were ſpent, as the preceding, in repairing the Batteries which had been damaged, and raiſing new ones.

Amſterdam, May 16. We have Advice that 16 Men of War, belonging to Sweden and Denmark, and ſome Frigates, have joined near Eliſineur, and that the Admirals of the two Nations have received Orders, from their reſpective Courts, to draw Lots, when they come to a certain Latitude, which ſhall command in Chief the combined Fleet. It is reported that theſe Ships are ill manned. Their Deſtination is variouſly talked of. Some pretend that they are deſigned to hinder the tranſporting of any Ruſſian Troops to Great-Britain. Others ſay that this Squadron is only intended to protect the Navigation of the two Crowns.

Hague, May 21. Letters from ſeveral foreign Miniſters at the Court of Madrid expreſs great Impatience to hear the Iſſue of the French Expedition againſt Minorca. They all agree, that whatever it be, his Catholic Majeſty will continue to obſerve a ſtrict Neutrality. Some of theſe Letters, however, inſinuate that Permiſſion hath been given to the French to make the Iſland of Majorca their Place of Rendezvous.

Many People affirm, that there is great Reaſon to think that the French Troops aſſembled in Flanders, will not remain inactive; and that the King will put himſelf at their Head, when he comes to Compeigne. This News gives great Uneaſineſs, eſpecially when we conſider the Indifference with which all theſe Meaſures are beheld at Buffel: It likewiſe renews the Apprehenſions of thoſe who ſtill inſiſt that a new Alliance is contracted between the Courts of Vienna and Verſailles. Whatever be in this, the Netherlands are quite open, and there is nothing to hinder the March of the French.

LONDON, *May 25.*

From Havre de Grace we hear that ſeveral Merchants and Traders there have ſubſcribed large Sums of Money to arm all the Ships that can be procured, to act againſt the Engliſh Merchantmen.

Laſt Saturday the Conſtant, Auſt, arrived in the Downs from Riga, with Stores for Plymouth Yard. Capt. Auſt reports, that he was chaſed laſt Friday an Hour and an half off Dunkirk, by two French Dogger Privateers, and eſcaped them in a Fog.

The Workmen are getting ready the old Playhouſe in Lincoln's-Inn Fields with all Expedition, in Order to make Barracks for 1400 Soldiers that are to be kept there. Proviſion is already made at Somerſet Houſe for 1500 Men that are alſo to lie in Barracks there.

Since the Declaration of War, a conſiderable Number of Sailors have entered voluntarily to ſerve on Board his Majeſty's Fleet.

We hear that an Order is ſent to Portſmouth for ſome of the French ſcalping Knives, that were in the Ship taken by Capt. Rowley, in Order to be ſent to our Miniſters abroad, that the Princes at whoſe Courts they reſide, may ſee what Inſtruments the *Moſt Chriſtian King* puts into the Hands of his Friends to propagate Chriſtianity.

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, dated May 18.

"The Affairs that are at preſent on the Carpet at Stockholm, are of ſuch a delicate Nature, that no Swede ventures to write about them to his Correſpondents abroad. There are Deſigns on Foot greatly to the Prejudice of the King's Prerogative, which is interlopp'd and tapped. His Majeſty himſelf ſeems to relent; but the Queen, a Siſter worthy of the King of Pruſſia, and her Brother's ſecond Self, hitherto ſteers the Bark with Firmneſs and Dignity."

June 12. The Colcheſter in the late Action fired 21 Rounds of all Sorts, expending about 84 Barrels of Gunpowder, with Shot proportionable; ſo that when the Frenchman ran from them, they had no Grape-ſhot or double-headed Shot left on Board, all being fired away, nor any round Shot left, but what were in the Shot Lockers on Deck. By this it may be gueſſed what ſmart Work they had of it for the ſix Hours and Half that it laſted.

It is ſaid, that if any Officer in the Fleet is found guilty of Cowardice by a Court-martial, he will be ſhot on Board of his Ship as ſoon as convicted, to prevent any Interceſſion for Pardon, as Kirby and Wade were, in the late Queen Anne's Reign.

The Land Forces for America, under Convoy of the Stirling-Caſtle and Surprize Men of War, are to have the uſual Pay of the Foot Guards in Great-Britain.

100 Miners, raiſed in the Collieries in the North, embarked laſt Tueſday at Greenwich, where they have been quartered ſome Time, for America.

We hear that 2000 Heſſians are to go to the Iſland of Guernſey, in Order to guard that Place from any Attempts the French ſhall make there.

Extract of a Letter, dated Plymouth Dock, Friday, May 28.

"This Morning the Lieutenant of the Colcheſter came to Admiral Moſtyn from Falmouth, with Advice, that ſhe was ſafe in that Port, and brought in there with great Difficulty; where the Admiral and Commiſſioners immediately ordered ſix Gangs of Shipwrights to go down to Falmouth, to fit her ſo as to bring her hither with Safety, and to have a proper Repair.

"After fighting four Hours, the Frenchmen fired red-hot Shot on Board of her, which ſet her on Fire. This Engagement was off Belleiſle, and made the French fire their Alarm Guns on ſhore, and ring their Alarm Bells."

NEW-YORK, *Auguſt 2.*

On Monday the 26th of July laſt, the Right Honourable the Earl of LOUDOUN, General over all his Majeſty's Forces in North-America, was attended by the Speaker, and ſeveral Members of the General Aſſembly of this Colony, when the Speaker addreſſed his Lordſhip in the following Manner.

May it pleaſe your Lordſhip,

WE are directed by the General Aſſembly of this his Majeſty's Colony, to wait on your Lordſhip with their Congratulations on your Lordſhip's ſafe and happy Arrival in America, and in their Name to thank your Lordſhip for engaging in a Service of ſuch Importance to his Majeſty's Honor, and the Security of his American Dominions.

Your Lordſhip's accepting this Service to be executed at ſuch a Diſtance from your native Land, in a wild uninhabited Wilderneſs, is ſuch a ſignal Proof of your Lordſhip's Zeal for his Majeſty's Honor, and the Intereſt, Peace and Safety, of his American Subjects, as juſtly demand our moſt grateful Acknowledgments.

With the moſt perfect Confidence we rely on your Lordſhip's known Vigilance (under the Protection of Divine Providence) for repairing thoſe Misfortunes, which have happened in theſe Parts, from the Attempts of a deceitful, cruel and mercileſs Enemy, and their ſtill more mercileſs Savages; and we are firmly perſuaded that every Meaſure calculated for his Majeſty's Service, and the Security, Happineſs and Proſperity, of his American Subjects, will be executed with the utmoſt Vigor, and conducted with the greateſt Wiſdom, Skill and Experience.

To which his Lordſhip was pleaſed to return the following Anſwer.

Gentlemen,

I Return the General Aſſembly of his Majeſty's Province of New-York my moſt ſincere and hearty Thanks for their kind Congratulations upon my Arrival in America.

Beſides the Honor his Majeſty has done me in appointing me to this Command, I ſhall always think myſelf extremely happy in having the Approbation of ſo reſpectable a Body of his Majeſty's Subjects, and ſhall think myſelf employed to the beſt of Purpoſes, if, while I am uſing my Endeavours to forward his Majeſty's Service, I can alſo contribute to the Proſperity and Safety of his North-American Dominions in general, and this Colony in particular.

While ſtrengthened and ſupported by the unanimous Concurrence of his Majeſty's Subjects in this Part of the World, I hope (under the Protection of Divine Providence) to be able to fruſtrate all the Attempts of a deceitful, cruel and mercileſs Enemy, and all their Abettors, of whatever Denominations."

Auguſt 9. Capt Dehart arrived here on Thurſday laſt, in ſeven Days from North-Carolina, and informs us, that he ſailed in Company with Capt. Bolton, of Boſton, whom he parted with the ſecond Day after; and two Days after that, being laſt Tueſday, in Latitude 32°, he ſpoke with him again, when Capt. Boſton informed him, that he had been chaſed the Day before, for four Hours, by a large black Schooner; but that being conſiderably to Windward, and ſhe making but poor Way, and at the ſame Time obſerving a Sail to Leeward, ſhe quitted him, and bore away for the other.

ANNAPOLIS, *August* 26.

On the 5th ult. a large Body of French and Indians attacked Fort Granville (which was ſituated on Juniata, at the Diſtance of about 20 Miles from the Mouth of that River) and by ſome Means or other ſet Fire thereto: The Fort had been uſually garriſoned with a Company of 77 Men, but at this Time there were only 27 Men, under the Command of a Lieutenant, in the Fort, the reſt of the Officers and Men being abroad to cover the Inhabitants, who were reaping and getting in their Harveſt. As ſoon as the Lieutenant perceived that the Fort was on Fire, he ſallied out with a few Men to extinguiſh it, but was unhappily killed, as were ſeveral of his Men, before he could execute his Deſign; and thereupon thoſe of the Garriſon who ſurvive thought proper to ſurrender at Diſcretion. All that had been killed or wounded, the Enemy then ſcalped, and having utterly deſtroyed the Fort, fixed up and left near the Place whereon it ſtood, a French Flag. This Accident terrified the Inhabitants of Cumberland County ſo much, that moſt of thoſe who had hitherto reſolutely ſtood their Ground, abandoned their Plantations, and were retiring to the more populous Parts of the Province ſo that, unleſs they are ſpeedily ſupported, there is Reaſon to fear that moſt of the Settlements Weſtward of Suſquehanna River will be, e'er long, broke up. It is ſaid that, as ſoon as the Indians had carried the Priſoners that they took at Fort Granville over the Mountains, a large Party of them returned, and fell on the Settlements about the Head of Conococheague, and alſo cut off ſome People who dwelt in Maryland, pretty near the Mouth of that River. As a Party of thoſe Indians were returning Weſtward, they were diſcovered by a Detachment that was ſent from Fort Frederick, whereupon they quitted ſome Luggage that they were carrying off, and retired, before the Detachment could come up with them. Lieutenant Prather, who commanded the Detachment, writes, that there was an Engliſhman armed with the Enemy, and ſeveral others that did not appear to be Indians. A Perſon who was carried away from the Head of Conococheague by a Body of 40 Indians, made his Eſcape from them, and came to Conococheague laſt Saturday. He ſays that the Party, by whom he was taken, are all, except five, returned to Fort Du Queſne with ten Priſoners, and ſeveral Scalps: The five are left as Spies, and to do any Miſchief that they ſhall find themſelves able to execute, in Order to break up the Settlements on Conococheague: That in 22 Days, all the Parties that are gone off, are to return again, and make another Attempt on one of the Pennſylvania or Maryland Forts, as they ſhall be adviſed by the five, who are left to get and give them Intelligence.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 3.

VIRGINIA, ſs.

By the Honorable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Eſq; His Majeſty's Lieutenant-Governer, and Commander in Chief, of the ſaid Colony and Dominion,

A PROCLAMATION,

For the meeting of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

WHEREAS the GENERAL ASSEMBLY ſtood prorogued to the ſecond *Thurſday* in *October* next, and whereas I judge it moſt highly neceſſary for His Majeſty's Service, and the Intereſt and Security of this Dominion, that the ſaid Aſſembly meet as ſoon as poſſible: I have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of His Majeſty's Council, to require their Attendance at the CAPITOL, on *Monday* the Twentieth of this Inſtant, for the Diſpatch of public Buſineſs.

GIVEN under my Hand, and the Seal of the Colony, in *Williamſburg*, this Third Day of *September*, One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Fifty Six, in the Thirtieth Year of His Majeſty's Reign.

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

GOD *Save the* KING.

By the Honorable *ROBERT DINWIDDIE*, Eſq; His Majeſty's Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the ſaid Colony and Dominion:

A PROCLAMATION

To prohibit the Exportation of all Manner of Proviſions.

WHEREAS I have received His Majeſty's poſitive Orders to lay a Prohibition on the Exportation of all Manner of Proviſions, as the ſending out ſuch at this Time will not only ſupply the *French* every where, and enable them to act againſt us, but may in an eſſential Manner diſtreſs His Majeſty's Service; and whereas it has been ſignified to me by His Excellency the Right Honorable the Earl of LOUDOUN, that he does not know how ſoon he may want all that the Colonies can furniſh: I have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of His Majeſty's Council, to iſſue this Proclamation, hereby ſtrictly prohibiting the Exportation of Grain, Pulſe, Flour, Bread, Pork, and Beef, and all Kinds of Proviſion whatſoever, from the Day of the Date hereof, until further Order made thereupon. And I do hereby require the Officers of His Majeſty's Cuſtoms, not to clear out any Ship or Veſſel that has any Flour, Bread, Pork, or Beef on Board, or any other Proviſions, but what is neceſſary for their own Company's Subſiſtance. And I do appoint this Proclamation to be read and publiſhed, at the Court-Houſe and Churches, in each reſpective County within this Colony, and that the Sheriffs take Care the ſame be done accordingly.

GIVEN under my Hand and the Seal of the Colony at *Williamſburg*, this Third Day of *September*, in the Thirtieth Year of His Majeſty's Reign, *Anno Domini*, 1756.

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

WHEREAS His Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to ſend over a Number of Officers for the Service of his Dominions in *America*, and whereas it has been ſignified to me by his Excellency the Right Honorable the Earl of *Loudoun*, that it is expected the Colonies will ſupply the Levies for the Royal *American* Regiment of four Battalions, and that the State of the Service does now require that the ſaid Regiment ſhould be immediately compleated, I do hereby promiſe, as an Encouragement to Perſons to inliſt in the ſaid Regiment, under the Command of Lord *Loudoun*, that they, and each of them, ſhall receive a Bounty of three Pounds, immediately upon their inliſting in the Service, ſhall be ſupplied with all Neceſſaries till they join the Regiment, be well cloathed, and diſcharged the Service in two Years. All ſuch who have the Honor of the Crown, and the Good of their Country at Heart, and ſhall be inclined to inliſt as aforeſaid, are directed to repair to *Williamſburg*, *York*, *Hampton*, *Norfolk*, *Suffolk*, *Fredericksburg*, *Richmond* or *Newcaſtle*, at which Places they will meet with a proper Officer inſtructed to receive them.

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

VIRGINIA ſs.

The Honorable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Eſq; His Majeſty's Lieutenant-Governor, and Commander in Chief of the ſaid Colony and Dominion. 4

To all County-Lieutenants, Colonels, Majors, and other Officers of the Militia, and to all Juſtices of the ſaid Colony, Greeting,

WHEREAS I have received his Majeſty's Commands to diſcourage the harbouring, concealing, or aſſiſting ſuch who ſhall deſert the Service, and alſo uſe all Means for apprehending and diſcovering ſuch Deſerters; and whereas it has been ſignified to me, that many Soldiers have illegally abſented themſelves from the Service in this and the other Colonies, I do therefore in his Majeſty's Name command you, and every of you, in your ſeveral Capacities, diligently and ſtrictly to put in Execution the Laws reſpecting Deſerters; and I do further command you to apprehend all Vagrants, whom you ſhall have Reaſon to ſuſpect for Deſerters, and, after due Examination had, if you ſhall find good Reaſon, to cauſe them to be ſecured and conveyed to the public Goal at *Williamſburg*, that they may be dealt with according to Law.

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

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5 *Prince William County, Dumfries, Auguſt* 27, 1756.

THIS is to advertiſe the Public, that the Partnerſhip between *Peel* and *Steele* is breaking up: All Perſons indebted are deſired to make ſpeedy Payment, and all who have any Demand to bring them in, to have them adjuſted. Mr. *Steele*, one of the Partners, intends for *England* early in the Spring.

Peel and *Steele.*

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6 *To be* SOLD,

A GOOD Plantation, with 251 Acres of good Low-ground and High-land in *Amelia* County, on *Appomattox* River. There may be ſix or eight Hands worked thereon, all convenient Houſes, freſh Ground, a good Orchard, and a Dwelling Houſe juſt finiſhed in a genteel Manner, 28 by 16 Feet; alſo 20 Head of Cattle, 40 Head of Hoggs, and 10 or 15 Sheep. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe may take Poſſeſſion of the ſame the firſt Day of November, and know the Terms by applying to

18 *Thomas Bevill.*

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7 A PERSON capable of teaching Children Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, and comes well recommended to be a ſober and diligent Man, will meet with good Encouragement from the Neighbours near *Brunſon* in *Prince-George* County, and from

William Tapaith.

N. B. As a Clerk is wanted at the near Church, I doubt not of their being admitted into that Office.

HEN. 1600. B

8 COMMITTED to the Goal of this County a Negroe Boy, named *Jacob*; has on an old Oznabrig Shirt and blue Waſtcoat, is about five Feet high, appears to be about 18 Years of Age, has a ſmall Blemiſh in his Eyes, and ſays he formerly belonged to one *Smith*, near *Hobbs's* Hole on *Rappahannock* River, which Place he gives a good Account of. 2

John Ellis, Sheriff.

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9 *Auguſt* 21, 1756.

RAN away from on Board the *Carliſle*, lying at *City*-Point, on *James*-River, a Servant Man, named *Michael Driſdell*, about 24 Years of Age, of a dark Complexion, talks much in the *Iriſh* Brogue, is a pretty ſmart looking fellow, and about five Feet and an Half high; had on, when he went away, a brown upper Waſtcoat, a ſtriped under one of a reddiſh Color, a checked Shirt, a Pair of Oznabrig Trowſers, and a Cap on, with his Head but half ſhaved, and is entirely ignorant of the Country. Whoever apprehends the ſaid Runaway, and conveys him to the ſaid Veſſel, ſhall receive a Piſtole Reward.

John Towers.

N. B. He was imported this Year in the *Burwell*, Capt. *Wilſon*, from *Dublin*.

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10 *To be SOLD very cheap, for ready Money or ſhort Credit, the following Tracts of Land,* viz.

A TRACT of Land lying in *Iſle of Wight* County, on the third Swamp of *Blackwater*, containing 400 Acres——A Tract of Land lying on the ſecond Swamp of *Blackwater*, in the ſaid County, containing 150 Acres——A Tract of Land lying on the third Swamp of *Blackwater*, in *Surry* County, containing 170 Acres——A Tract of Land lying on *Blackwater*, in *Southampton* County, containing 100 Acres, belonging to Mr. *Jordan Thomas* of *North-Carolina*, who hath impowered the Subſcriber to ſell them. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe any Part of the ſaid Lands, may know the Terms, and be ſatisfied of the Title, by applying to the Subſcriber in *Iſle of Wight* County.

Richard Baker.

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11 SOME Time ago we the Subſcribers were Securities for *Henry Farley* for a large Sum of Money, payable to Mr. *Mordecai Booth*, who ſome Time ſince has aſſigned the ſame to the Hon. *William Acton*, Eſq; who has brought Suit againſt us in the General Court, and has obtained Judgment and Execution againſt us for the ſame; and at the Time of our being Securities for the ſaid *Farley*, he made over to us three ſeveral Tracts of valuable Lands, that, if the ſaid Debt ſhould come againſt us, we might ſell the ſame, to diſcharge us from the ſaid Debt; and as the Debt has now come againſt us, in Order to diſcharge the ſame, as it was made over to us for that Purpoſe, We give this Notice that the ſaid Lands will be ſet up to the higheſt Bidder at the Court-houſe of *Amelia*, on *September* Court Day, for ready Money, the ſaid three Tracts, which are as follow, viz. The firſt is a Tract of 318 Acres, a large Plantation thereon, a good Dwelling Houſe, Kitchen, Quarter, Smoke-houſe, two Barns, and a large Apple, Pear, Peach and Cherry Orchard.——The next is a Tract of 200 Acres of choice Land, a large Plantation thereon, a Dwelling Houſe, Quarter, Dairy, two Barns, and a large young Apple and Peach Orchard.——The other is a Tract of 268 Acres, where the ſaid *Farley* now lives and keeps Ordinary, a very handſome Booth for a Store and Ordinary, a large level Plantation, two good Dwelling Houſes with Brick Chimneys, a good Storehouſe, Barn, Kitchen, Quarter, Dairy, Smoke-houſe, Corn-Crib, Stable, &c. with a large Apple and Peach Orchard. The ſaid three Tracts of Land lie within five Miles of Church and Court-houſe, and within two Miles of a Mill.

Richard Booker,
Francis Anderſon,
Edmund Booker, Jun. } Securities.

Amelia, Auguſt 26, 1756.

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To be SOLD, *pursuant to the last Will and Testament of* Nicholas Bush, *deceased*,

THREE Hundred Acres of Land, lying in *Sussex* County, situated on the North Side of *Nottoway* River, with extraordinary good Improvements, viz. one Dwelling House, 40 Feet by 16, eight Feet Passage, a well wainscotted Kitchen, Barn, Dairy, Apothecary's Shop, and several other convenient Houses, with Ground cleared sufficient to work four or five Hands, and in a very good Fence; a good Pasture, with a valuable Meadow, a good Place for hauling a Seine, where are caught divers Sorts of fine Fish. The Terms may be known by applying to the Subscriber, living in *James*-City County.

Joseph Bush, Executor.

Camp at MAIDSTONE, *August* 11, 1756.

DESERTED last Night, from the Detachment of the *Virginia* Regiment at this Place, the following Soldiers, viz.

Matthew Tozer, born in *Maryland*, 20 Years of Age, five Feet nine Inches high, light brown Hair, a thin spare Man, had on, when he deserted, a Check Shirt, a Pair of old Flannel Breeches, light coloured Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes.

Thomas Hammond, born in *Maryland*, 19 Years of Age, six Feet high, a lusty well set Man, of a light Complexion, dark brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, his Regimental Coat, a Pair of Linnen Breeches, a Check Shirt, a Pair of light coloured Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of old Shoes.

William Stodell, born in *Maryland*, 17 Years of Age, five Feet seven Inches high, a stout hardy Lad, of a light Complexion, dark brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a light coloured Cloth Jacket, a white Shirt, a Pair of old Cloth Breeches, light blue Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes;

Edward Constantine, born in *Maryland*, 19 Years of Age, five Feet three Inches high, a hearty well set Lad, of a dark Complexion, light brown Hair, is lame in his right Knee, had on, when he deserted, a white Cotton Jacket, Linnen Drawers, light coloured Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of old Shoes.

Cornelius Coapman, born in *Maryland*, 19 Years of Age, five Feet five Inches high, a well set Lad, of a dark Complexion, had on, when he deserted, a blue gray Cloth Coat, a Linnen Jacket, Leather Breeches, blue Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes.

Abraham Whittaker, born in *Maryland*, 19 Years of Age, five Feet eight Inches high, well set, of a dark Complexion, light brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a dark coloured Cloth Coat, Linnen Jacket, Leather Breeches, blue Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes.

Robert Craighead, born in *Maryland*, five Feet five Inches high, black Hair, had on, when he deserted, a blue Cloth Jacket, Leather Breeches, old Stocking Leggins, and a Pair of old Shoes.

Isaac Whittaker, born in *Maryland*, 21 Years of Age, five Feet six Inches high, a stout well set Man, of a light Complexion, light brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a Cotton Jacket, Linnen Drawers, and blue Worsted Stockings.

John Harrison, born in *Maryland*, 24 Years of Age, five Feet eight Inches high, a thin spare Man, of a dark Complexion, short black Hair, much curled, had on, when he deserted, a blue Cloth Coat and Jacket, Leather Breeches, Thread Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes.

James Lirch, born in *Ireland*, 26 Years of Age, five Feet six Inches high, of a dark Complexion, black Hair, had on, when he deserted, a brown Cloth Jacket, Leather Breeches, old Stockings and Shoes.

Peter Williams, born in *Maryland*, 20 Years of Age, five Feet five Inches high, well set, of a light Complexion, dark brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a Cotton Jacket, Leather Breeches, Yarn Leggins, and old Shoes.

Samuel Saunders, born in *Maryland*, 22 Years of Age, five Feet eight Inches high, well set, of a fair Complexion, light brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a blue gray Jacket, Leather Breeches, blue Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of Shoes.

James Lassett, born in *Maryland*, 22 Years of Age, five Feet eight Inches high, a stout hearty Man, of a light Complexion, light brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a Pair of blue gray Cloth Breeches, and a white Shirt.

Francis Brothers, born in *Maryland*, 21 Years of Age, five Feet six Inches high, well set, of a light Complexion, brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a Cotton Jacket, Sheep-skin Breeches, old Stockings and new Shoes.

Patrick Christian, born in *Maryland*, 18 Years of Age, five Feet six Inches high, well set, of a light Complexion, brown Hair, had on, when he deserted, a white Shirt, and a Pair of Linnen Drawers.

George Hafer, born in *Maryland*, 19 Years of Age, five Feet eight Inches and three Quarters high, slim made, long brown Hair, much freckled, had on, when he deserted, his Regimental Coat and Jacket, Leather Breeches, and large double rimmed brass Buckles in his Shoes.

David Glendering, born in *Scotland*, 35 Years of Age, five Feet ten Inches and a Quarter high, of a brown Complexion, long brown Hair, and much fretted with the Small-pox. He has a slv insinuating Tongue, has a good Walk, well made, and much the Appearance of a Soldier. He had his Regimentals on, when he deserted. Whoever will bring the said Deserters, or any one of them, to the commanding Officer at *Winchester*, or deliver them to any Officer belonging to the Regiment, shall have two Pistoles Reward for each Deserter.

All Persons are hereby forwarned from harbouring or entertaining Deserters. As many as can be detected in so infamous a Practice, may depend on being prosecuted to the utmost Rigor of the Law,

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WHEREAS *Sarah Homan*, a Niece of mine, under Age, and to whom I am Guardian, hath lately made an Elopement from me, and, as I believe, with an Intent to marry one *Snead* (alias *Critchfield*) and as I think it will be greatly to her Disadvantage, this is to give Notice to all County-Court Clerks not to grant them Marriage Licenſe, and to all Ministers not to marry them by Publication of Banns. I not knowing what Part of the Colony they may resort to, to accomplish their Design, am obliged to make Use of this Method to prevent them. 2 *Benjamin Bowles.*

A PERSON who understands teaching of Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, and comes well recommended, may meet with good Encouragement, by applying to the Subscriber in *Prince-George* County. 2 *Theodorick Bland.*

To be SOLD, *on* Monday *the 27th Day of* September *next, if fair, if not, the next fair Day, at the late Dwelling House of Colonel* John Martin, *deceased, in* King-William *County*,

A TRACT of Land in *Surry* County, containing 1610 Acres, some fashionable Plate, sundry Sorts of Houshold and Kitchen Furniture, some European Goods just imported, a four wheeled Chaise, a Pole Chair, some good old *Madeira* Wine, and many other Things of Value. Credit will be given 'til the first of *June* next, the Purchasers giving Bond and Security to the Executors.

N. B. All Persons that are indebted to the said Estate, or have any Demands against it, are desired to bring in their Accounts, in Order to have them adjusted. For that End, Attendance will be given at the above mentioned Place, on *Thursday*, *Friday*, and *Saturday* before the Day of Sale.

IMPORTED in the Ship *Johnson*, *John Galwith* Master, from *Liverpool*, this Summer, the following Package of Goods now in *Archibald Ritchie*'s Warehouse at *Tappahannock*, for which the Owner has as yet appeared, viz. A large Cask of Hats, marked M G, a small Box and a Hamper containing two Cheeses, marked W T No. 2 and a Crow's Foot between the W and the T, likewise a Hamper containing four Cheeses, marked — and a small Keg of Gunpowder containing 10 Pounds. Any Person proving their Property to any of the above Goods, may have them on paying the Charge of this Advertisement, and Warehouse Rent. *Archibald Ritchie.*

To be SOLD *at October Fair next, in* Fredericksburg, *pursuant to the last Will and Testament of* William Woodford *of* Caroline *County*,

SIXTEEN Hundred Acres of Land, or thereabouts, lying on *Nusponix* Run, within seven Miles of *Fredericksburg* Town, and not more than three Miles from *Rappahannock* River. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on giving Bond and Security to the Executors.

N. B. Many Gentlemen who purchased Effects at the Sale of *Woodford*'s Estate, have neglected to pay for the same: They are desired not to delay the Payment longer than *October* Fair, where Attendance will be given for that Purpose.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber in *Bedford* County, a dark gray Horse, branded on the near Shoulder thus I S, about four Years old, and has some Saddle Spots. He has been posted, and appraised at four Pounds fifteen Shillings. The Owner may have him on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Nathaniel Patterson.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber in *Caroline* County, near *Burks* Bridge, a large white Horse, branded on the near Buttock thus I 47. He has been appraised to five Pounds ten Shillings. The Owner may have him on paying as the Law directs.

John Penn.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in the upper End of *Goochland* County, a bay Horse, branded on the near Buttock thus : his left hind Foot white, a small Star on his Forehead, a Snip on his Nose, a short bushy Tail, and has had a Fistula. He has been posted, and appraised at 30 Shillings. The Owner may have him on paying as the Law directs. *John Mims.*

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living near *Amelia* Court-house, a bay Horse about four Feet six Inches high, a small Star in his Forehead, Saddle Spots on both Sides of his Back, a long sprig Tail, and branded on the near Buttock thus 9. He has been posted, and appraised to three Pounds. The Owner may have him on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs. *William Wyatt.*

THE Ship *Industry*, *Matthias Miller* Commander at present, now lying at *Norfolk*, belonging to the Subscriber, Burthen 200 Tons, capable of mounting 20 Carriage and 20 Swivel Guns, Conveniencies for entertaining 120 Men, known to be a prime Sailor, a well built Ship, the Timber all of Mulberry and Cedar, and to all Appearance as sound as when she was built, is now making ready for a Privateer, and shall proceed as such soon: Provided Gentlemen who are inclined to venture their Money in that Way, will favor him with a Note what Sum they will subscribe; and as soon as there is a Sum sufficient to enable him to carry on the Design it shall immediately be put into Execution, and all proper Stores will be provided. The Owner for his Part will put in £. 500 certain: The Ship and Stores shall be first valued by indifferent Judges, so that the Owner wants no Advantage by the Sale of her: It is thought when fitted for Sea with six Months Provisions, she will cost between four and five Thousand Pounds: She is as well found now as an Merchant Ship can be. Those who are inclinable are desired to let him know how much they will put in as soon as possible, as many have wrote to him already. *John Hutchings.*

N. B. The Captain and other Officers to be chosen by the Majority of the Subscribers.

STRAYED or Stolen from the Subscriber, in *Williamsburg*, a middle siz'd black Horse, with a Sprig Tail, his hind Hoofs much worn, paces and canters, and branded on the near Buttock W: Whoever brings him to me shall have ten Shillings Reward, if taken within ten Miles of *Williamsburg*, and a Pistole if further.

Christopher Ford.

TAKEN up by me, living in *Essex* County, a middle sized forrel Horse, with a large Blaze in his Face, a large sprig Tail, and branded I S. He has been posted and appraised according to Law to two Pounds. Any Person laying just Claim to the said Horse, may have him on paying as the Law directs from

Henry Vass.

YORK-COUNTY, ss.

COMMITTED to the Goal of this County, the 14th Instant, a Negroe Boy, named *Tom* had on a coarse Waistcoat, a Pair of Sailor's Trowsers, has a large Scar on his right Cheek, has two Toes on his left Foot considerably shorter than the other three, and has a large Scar on the fore Part of his left Leg. He is about five Feet high, and appears to be about 12 Years of Age; says he belongs to one Capt. *Bottard* or *Buttery*; that six more Negroes came in a Boat with him to an Island, known by the Name of *Cow*-Island, in this County, on the *Bay* Shore. *Samuel Read*, Sheriff.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living on the *Flatt* Swamp in *Southampton* County, a middle sized gray Mare, about eight Years old, about 13 Hands and an Half high, a sprig Tail, and a Snip on his Nose, one glass Eye, some saddle Spots, and has had a Fistula, is branded on the near Buttock thus X, her Mane between her Ears, lately trimmed, had on a small Bell, has been posted, and appraised to two Pounds ten Shillings. The Owner may have her on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs,

William Mackemore.

TAKEN up on the 10th Day of *June* last by the Subscriber, living in *Essex* County, near *Sailes* Church, a small light gray Horse, not branded, with a sprig Tail. He has been posted and appraised according to Law. Any Person laying just Claim to the said Horse, may have him on paying as the Law directs to

Thomas Loyde.

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in *Surry* County, a dark gray Horse, with a cloudy Face, and the Half of his Mane cut off, has a short sprig Tail, and is about four Feet six Inches high, and branded on the near Buttock and Shoulders thus ar He has been appraised to one Pound ten Shillings. Whoever owns the said Horse, may have of me paying as the Law directs. *Charles Judkins.*

TAKEN up by the Subscriber, living in *Goochland* County, on *Tuckahoe* Creek, three Steers, viz. one red and white, something brindled, and about five or six Years old; another of the same Color, about four Years old, and a black one of four Years old, all of the same Mark, which is a Crop and two Slits in the right Ear, and a Crop and under Keel in the left. The Proprietor may have them of me, paying as the Law directs. *Philip Webber*, Junior.

RUN away from the Subscriber's Plantation, in *Charles City* County, a Negroe Man, named *Will*, a lusty well-made Fellow, appears to be near 40 Years old, is much scar'd on his Back with a Whip, his Teeth bad, and marked with his Country Mark. He formerly belonged to Mr. *William Dudley*, near *Poropotank*, in *King* and *Queen* County.

Whoever secures the said Runaway so that I may get him again, shall receive half a Pistole Reward, besides what the Law allows. *William Lightfoot.*

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